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## **AMENDMENT**

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2002. Please amend the application as follows. A separate Petition for Extension of Time is being submitted simultaneously herewith.

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